

2010 Summer Conversational Series and Teacher Institute

*“In Heaven’s Name, Give Her A Chance!”*  
*Defining the Sphere of Women in 19th Century America*

Sunday - Friday July 11 - 16, 2010

***Daily Schedule***

**Sunday 11 July 2010**

**2:30 - 5:00**            **John Matteson, Phyllis Cole, Helen Deese, and Megan Marshall**  
***Panel Discussion:*** “What Were We Born to Do? The New Women of  
the Transcendental Era”

*We are once again delighted to partner with our friends at The Thoreau Society to conclude their Annual Gathering  
and begin our Summer Conversational Series on the afternoon of Sunday, July 11th*

**Monday 12 July 2010**

**9:00 - 9:30**            ***Coffee and Registration***

**9:30 - 10:45**            **Debra Ryals, Pensacola Junior College**  
“The Condition of Women: Literature of the 19th and 20th Centuries”

**11:00 - 12:15**            **Cathlin Davis, California State University-Stanislaus**  
“Louisa May Alcott’s Advice to Young Women”

**12:15 - 1:00**            ***Lunch and Informal Discussions***

**1:00 - 2:15**            **Lisa Stepanski, Emmanuel College**  
“‘I find her one of the fair saints’: The Friendship of Bronson Alcott  
and Mary Baker Eddy”

**2:15 - 2:45**            ***Conversation of the Day***

**2:45 - 4:30**            ***Teacher Institute Proceedings***  
Research and Resources

Tuesday 13 July 2010

- 9:00 - 9:30            *Coffee and Registration*
- 9:30 - 10:45        **Evelyn Navarre, State University of New York-Buffalo**  
"Dancing the Minefield, Transforming the Sphere: Louisa May Alcott's  
Alternative Vision"
- 11:00 - 12:15       **Janet Northrup, Chautauqua Institution**  
"Chautauqua's Founding Women: Inspiration and Impact on the Nation"
- 12:15 - 1:00        *Lunch and Informal Discussions*
- 1:00 - 2:15         **Adriana Lanzi, Universidad Nacional de Córdoba**  
"The Influence of *Little Women* on Argentinians Over the Decades"
- 2:15 - 2:45         *Conversation of the Day*
- 2:45 - 4:30         *Teacher Institute Proceedings*

Wednesday 14 July 2010 (please note change in early start time)

- 8:30 - 9:00         *Coffee and Registration*
- 9:00 - 10:30        **Sterling [Rick] Delano, Villanova University**  
"'We have abolished domestic servitude': Women and Work at Brook Farm"
- 10:45 - 12:00      **Michael Barnett, Moravian College**  
"Margaret Fuller Shapes the Consciousness of America Through  
*The New York Tribune*"
- 12:00 - 1:00        *Lunch and Informal Discussions*
- 1:00 - 2:15         **Karen Goodno, Salem State College/Orchard House**  
"Claiming Her Chance: Louisa May Alcott Enlarges the Women's Sphere  
From the Inside Out"
- 2:15 - 2:45         *Conversation of the Day*
- 2:45 - 4:30         *Teacher Institute Proceedings*

Evening Edification

- 7:00pm            **Luane Davis Haggerty, Rochester Institute of Technology/  
National Institute of the Deaf**  
"Breaking the Silence: Deaf Women of the 19th Century"

**Thursday 15 July 2010**

- 9:00 - 9:30**            ***Coffee and Registration***
- 9:30 - 10:45**        **Reed Gochberg, Harvard University**  
"To Mend or Even Analyze Them: Louisa May Alcott's Response to Transcendentalism"
- 11:00 - 12:15**        **Lynn Hyde, The Old Manse**  
"Glimmering Embers: The Hearth, Heart, and Hope of Women at The Old Manse"
- 12:15 - 1:00**        ***Lunch and Informal Discussions***
- 1:00 - 2:15**            **Anne-Laure François, Université Charles-de-Gaulle Lille 3**  
"Curing Madness, Promoting Female Self-Reliance: Louisa May Alcott's Exploratory Writing and Expanding of the Domestic Sphere"
- 2:15 - 2:45**            ***Conversation of the Day***
- 2:45 - 4:30**            ***Teacher Institute Proceedings***

**Friday 16 July 2010**

- 9:00 - 4:30**            ***Teacher Institute Proceedings***  
Wrap-Up Research and Questions

*Please note: Every effort has been made to present as accurate a schedule as possible; however, circumstances beyond our control may necessitate change(s).*